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TAGS:OVIP (HARTMAN), PFOR, TU

SUBJECT:ARMENIAN RESOLUTION

FOR HARTMAN FROM LOWENSTEIN

FOR DELIVERY OOB APRIL 22

1. H HAS CONCENTRATED HEAVILY TODAY ON EFFORTS TO HEAD OFF A SENATE COUNTERPART (HELSTOSKI RESOLUTION) TO HOUSE ARMENIAN MASSACRE RESOLUTION. BOTH JENKINS AND GOLDBERG HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH JUDICIARY SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRMAN HRUSKA AND WHITE HOUSE (FRIEDERSDORF) TO MAKE SURE THAT NO STONE IS LEFT UNTURNED. HRUSKA TOLD JENKINS TODAY THAT HE WILL CONTINUE HIS EFFORT TO BLOCK ANY RESOLUTION FROM COMING OUT OF HIS SUBCOMMITTEE. HOWEVER, HE SAID THERE IS CONSIDERABLE PRESSURE AND HE IS NOT AT ALL CERTAIN THAT

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HE WILL SUCCEED.

2. TUNNEY MEANWHILE PLANS TO INTRODUCE RESOLUTION WHICH
WOULD PROCLAIM APRIL 24 AS ARMENIAN DAY AND AUTHORIZE
PRESIDENT TO ISSUE PROCLAMATION COMMEMORATING ARMENIAN
CONTRIBUTIONS TO AMERICAN CULTURE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.
TUNNEY APPRECIATES DELICACY OF THE SITUATION AND HAS
INSISTED THAT HE WILL NOT SUPPORT ANY RESOLUTION WHICH

MENTIONS TURKEY BY NAME. HE IS EQUALLY ADAMANT AT THIS
POINT, HOWEVER, THAT SOME RESOLUTION BE SUBMITTED, AND
IS HOPEFUL THAT THE ANODYNE REFERENCE TO ARMENIAN
CONTRIBUTIONS WOULD SOLVE THE PROBLEM.

3. MEANWHILE, FRIEDERSDORF HAS PROMISED US HE WILL WORK
WITH HUGH SCOTT AND MANSFIELD IN ATTEMPT TO BOTTLE UP
HELSTOSKI RESOLUTION IN COMMITTEE AND, IF FLOOR
INITIATIVE DEVELOPS, TO BLOCK THAT AS WELL.

4. PROSPECTS. SEEMS LIKELY TUNNEY RESOLUTION WILL BE
CONSIDERED TOMORROW WITHIN THE SUBCOMMITTEE AND FLOOR
ACTION - IF IT DEVELOPS - COULD OCCUR TOMORROW OR
WEDNESDAY. IT HIGHLY QUESTIONABLE THAT WE WILL BE ABLE
TO BLOCK RESOLUTION. KISSINGER

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